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In the claims:

Amend claims 14, 15, 16, 20, 21 and 22 as follows.

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14. (Amended) An airway adaptor according to claim 12, and wherein an internal diameter of said passage increases towards an end of said passage near said sampling port.

15. (Amended) An airway adapter according to claim 12, and wherein said inner bore of said passage has an internal diameter essentially equal to the internal diameter of said inner bore of said endotracheal tube adapter, thereby providing an approximately smooth-walled transition from said inner bore of said endotracheal tube adapter to said inner bore of said passage.

16. (Amended) An airway adaptor according to claim 12, and wherein said end of said sleeve distant from said sampling port abuts against said end of said inner bore of said endotracheal tube passage, thereby resulting in virtual elimination of void volume between said inner bore of said endotracheal tube adapter and said internal bore of said sleeve.